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The communication filed 29 January 2003 is not fully responsive to the Office communication mailed 29 July 2002 for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With The Sequence Rules and reiterated herein. Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§ 131 and 132.

As stated in the Office communication mailed 29 July 2002, Applicants failed to place this application in compliance with the sequence rules set forth under 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 because the disclosure and the sequence listing are discrepant. Again, Applicant is advised that the disclosure indicates that the polynucleotide sequence set forth in Figure 1 and SEQ ID NO: 1 are the same, but while the polynucleotide sequence of Figure 1 is 5253 nucleotides, the polynucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 is 5271 nucleotides. Therefore, the sequences are not the same. In reply to this communication, Applicants must resolve the discrepancy.

Since the reply appears to be <u>bona fide</u> attempt to comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE** (1) **MONTH** from the mailing date of this communication within which to correct the deficiency so as to comply with the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) in order to avoid abandonment of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Stephen L. Rawlings, Ph.D., Art Unit 1642, whose telephone number is (703) 305-3008.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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| NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES  |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| Applicant must file the items indicated below within the time period set the Office action to which the Notice is attached to avoid abandonment under 35 U.S.C. § 133 (extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)).   |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):   |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| ■ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).   |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).   |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."   |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).   |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable from of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).  |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| 7. Other: The disclosure and the sequence listing are discrepant for the reasons set forth in the Office action mailed November 26, 2001; if necessary, Applicants are required to submit substitute copies of the sequence listing, as stateed below, together with a letter stating that the copies are the same.   |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| Applicant Must Provide:  ☑ An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF)  | copy of the "Sequence Listing". |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| ☑ An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.  |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| ☑ A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).  |                                 |              |        |  |  |  |  |
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